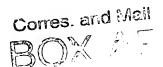
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Responsive to the Office Action dated 10/22/04, finally rejecting claims 1-12, and having a shortened period for response set to expire on 01/22/05, which was a Saturday, Applicants hereby submit the following Amendment with the accompanying remarks. Reconsideration of the application in view of the amendment is respectfully requested.

Listing and Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.